

# Intra-Club Championship Series The 2019 "Fun Series"

# May 18, June 22, August 31, Sept. 28 Notice of Race

# Organizing Authority: Richmond Yacht Club, Point Richmond, California

#### 1. Rules

- 1.1 The regatta will be governed by the rules as defined in the Racing Rules of Sailing. (An abbreviated set of racing guidelines and an explanation of the starting process is attached.)
- 1.2 Competitors shall wear personal buoyancy while racing. Flag Y will not be displayed.

#### 2. Format

2.1 The series objective is to encourage broad participation of RYC members with keel boats, from our traditional active racers to those who infrequently race. The emphasis will be on fun and social interaction, much like the beer can races. Each race will be followed by informal cocktails to enable continuing interaction among RYC sailors. The racing will be as serious as folks want it to be, but it is hoped that it will be fun for all.

# 3. Eligibility and Entry

- 3.1 All Richmond Yacht Club members are eligible to enter their PHRF-rated boats of at least 18ft waterline length. Current PHRF certificates are not required. Alerion 28's will have their own start, and this series by special exception will allow Alerion 28's from other clubs.
- 3.2 Eligible boats may be entered for the series by completing on-line registration found at <a href="https://www.richmondyc.org">www.richmondyc.org</a> prior to the first race sailed by that boat in the series. The entry deadline is 1700 on the Friday before the day of the race.
- 3.3 The entry fee for the entire series will be \$25.00.

#### 4. Fleets

- 4.1 Racing will be organized in three fleets, based on the preference of the sailor:
  - Serious Fun We have a large number of active racers at RYC. This fleet is for them.
  - Mellow (More) Fun We have a large number of sailors at RYC that haven't raced before or don't race much. This fleet is for them. This division will be non spinnaker.
  - Alerion 28 one design

Fleets must be committed to at time of entry.

# 5. Handicap

5.1 Scoring will be based on PHRF handicaps applied time-on-time. PHRF certificates are not required; the Race Committee will assign handicaps as necessary consistent with PHRF.

#### 6. Schedule of Races

- 6.1 Race Dates (all 2019)
- 6.2 Race # Name Date

1 Spring Tune-Up Race pursuit Saturday, May 18 followed by hors d'oeuvres at RYC

2 Around some or one island Saturday, June 22

3 Around some or one island Saturday, August 31 followed by RYC Lobster Feed

4 Barbary Coast Race Saturday, September 28

6.3 There will be one race each race day. The start time for each race will be included in the Sailing Instructions.

# 7. Sailing Instructions

- 7.1 Sailing Instructions will be available the Friday before the day of each race at 1300 at the Richmond Yacht Club and on our web page at <a href="https://www.richmondyc.org">www.richmondyc.org</a>.
- 7.2 Pursuit Race reverse handicapped start times and Class Race handicapped divisions will also be available after 1000 on Saturday the day of the race.

# 8. Racing Area and Courses

- 8.1 Consistent with the objective of fun racing for maximum participation, courses will be largely around natural bay features and permanent government marks. There will not be windward-leeward buoy races.
- 8.2 Racing area and courses will be described in Sailing Instructions for each specific race.
- 8.3 Course lengths will vary from approximately 8 nm to 16 nm.

# 9. Scoring

- 9.1 A boat's series score shall be her total score for all races in that series, excluding her worst score if all four (4) races have been completed.
- 9.2 A boat that does not finish a race will be scored one point more than the number of starters in that race. This changes A 4.2
- 9.3 A boat that does not race will be scored two points more than the number of starters in that race. This changes A 4.2

#### 10. Communications

10.1 The Race Committee may use VHF Channel 79 radio to communicate information about time to start and OCS.

# 11. Prizes and Post-Race Party

- Series prizes will be awarded during the social event immediately following the last race of the series.
- 11.2 There will be light snacks following each race upstairs. All participants are encouraged to attend.

#### 12. Disclaimer of Liability

12.1 Competitors participate in the regatta entirely at their own risk. See RRS 4, Decision to Race. The organizing authority will not accept any liability for material damage or personal injury or death sustained in conjunction with or prior to, during or after the regatta

### 13. Further information

13.1 For further information, please contact the following individuals: Regatta Chair: Fred Paxton <a href="mailto:f.paxton@comcast.net">f.paxton@comcast.net</a> and PRO Rich Deveau